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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR REPROCESSING PLANT

REFERENCE: THE HAGUE 3680

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONVEY DEPARTMENT'S APPRECIATION TO MFA FOR GON EFFORTS TO PREVENT TRANSFERS OF REPROCESSING EQUIPMENT OR TECHNOLOGY TO TAIWAN. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT CURRENT CASE IS EXCELLENT ILLUSTRATION OF LONDON

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SUPPLIERS' UNDERSTANDINGS TO CONSULT ON SENSITIVE NUCLEAR

EXPORTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE TO SENSITIVE COUNTRIES. DEPARTMENT WELCOMES GON ACTIONS AND ALSO ITS CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION TO ENSURE CONTROL OVER ALL NUCLEAR EXPORTS CONSISTENT WITH ITS ADHERENCE TO LONDON GUIDELINES.

2. IN DISCUSSION WITH MFA, EMBASSY SHOULD CONFIRM THAT US WOULD HAVE THE STRONGEST RESERVATION ABOUT ANY FORM OF REPROCESSING COOPERATION WITH TAIWAN, INCLUDING THE TRANSFER OF KNOW-HOW. EMBASSY SHOULD CLARIFY, HOWEVER, THAT US, AND PRESUMABLY GON, OPPOSITION TO SUCH REPROCESSING TRANSFERS GOES BEYOND THE PROVISIONS IN LONDON SUPPLIERS' GUIDELINES WHICH CALL FOR RESTRAINT ON SENSITIVE NUCLEAR TRANSFERS, INCLUDING KNOW-HOW, BUT DO NOT SPECIFICALLY PRECLUDE THEM.

3. EMBASSY SHOULD REQUEST THAT GON CONTINUE TO KEEP CLOSE WATCH ON COMPRIMO ACTIVITIES BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND COMPANY IS HEAVILY ORIENTED TOWARD REPROCESSING SECTOR AND BECAUSE WE CANNOT EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER CONTACTS BETWEEN COMPRIMO AND THE ROC. IN THIS CONTEXT, EMBASSY SHOULD ASK GON WHETHER IT BELIEVES IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR GON TO ADVISE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT OF ITS ACTIONS IN LIGHT OF POSSIBILITY THAT FUTURE COMPRIMO CONTACTS WITH ROC MIGHT TAKE PLACE THROUGH COMPRIMO'S ANTWERP BRANCH. FYI: IF GON BELIEVES SUCH AN APPROACH WOULD BE DESIRABLE BUT WOULD PREFER US TO UNDERTAKE IT, DEPARTMENT WOULD BE PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE COMPLEMENTARY APPROACH TO GOB. END FYI.

4. FOR ALL ADDRESSEES: PLEASE CONTINUE TO REPORT ON ANY FURTHER INDICATIONS OF ROC INTEREST IN ACQUIRING REPROCESSING CAPABILITIES. KISSINGER

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